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Dear Sir:

In an Office Action dated June 13, 2003 (Paper No. 3), the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement with regard to the above-identified patent application. Generally, the Examiner indicated that Claims 1-13 and 31-41 (Group I); Claims 14-24 (Group II); and Claims 25-30 (Group III) were distinct inventions. Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Claims 14-24 (Group II) in this patent application. However, Applicant respectfully reserves the right to pursue Claims 1-13 and 25-41 in a subsequent divisional/continuation application.

Respectfully submitted,

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